

WE WONDER IF THE PITT ELEVEN WILL TAKE PEN(N) IN HAND AND WRITE THEIR OWN SCORE

NASTY RUMORS STILL FLOATING AROUND ON RECENT TITLE GAMES

False Reports Were Circulated Before Series to Stimulate Betting on Reds, and Later, When White Sox Failed, the Losers "Squealed" Chicago Players Were "Fixed"

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NASTY rumors regarding the recent world series have been floating around for the last week, and it has been claimed at various times that several players on the White Sox team sold out to a syndicate of gamblers and deliberately laid down to Cincinnati.

Fortunately, however, these rumors regarding the players have been found untrue. Comiskey offered a reward of \$20,000 for information proving that any player or players on his team were in cohorts with the gamblers, and no one has stepped forward with the evidence.

However, there was some inside stuff peddled by the gentlemen who make large bets, but they did it on their own hooks and soured the other unsuspecting gamblers. False reports were circulated to stimulate betting on Cincinnati and knock off the odds on Chicago.

Three gambling "gents" are responsible for the vast scandal which followed the conclusion of the last world's series, and they worked their scheme in a most clever manner, charging the Sox were hired to lay down, which is not true. This became known today, when one of the fraternity "leaked" and spilled information about how the suckers who had been trimmed yowled in the day of their financial anguish.

Three Chicago persons of the waging ilk disseminated "info" that the Sox had been fixed. They spread the word in New York, Pittsburgh and St. Louis. They offered to let friends in on the good thing, and the "friends" fell heavily. It looked like the best killing in years, for whole country being wrought up over the impending series and most of the newspaper "experts" selecting the Sox as favorites.

One New York sport—an ex-pugilist—listened to the words of the so-called insiders and wagered \$12,000 on the Reds, at slight odds. He never has howled about the fixing of games.

THE only folk who squeaked were those who came through in the bush on the Sox, and lost.

"Fixing" Propaganda Helped Change Odds

THE three spreaders of the "fixing story" took full advantage of the effect of their propaganda, trimmed the odds and sat back, waiting for the blowoff. No matter which way the series went they stood to win, having placed money both ways against the middle, as the odds shifted. One St. Louis gambler let the cat out of the bag when he declared: "I became frightened when the Sox began to win and tried to hedge out. I asked a St. Louis friend of mine to place \$25,000 for me at odds of 1 against 4 that the Sox would win the title, as late as the sixth game. He was unable to do so. I broke about even, owing to bets on individual games."

The Chicago informant declares the professional gamblers in New York, Chicago, St. Louis and Pittsburgh rode through pretty because of the shifting odds, and that the howl about "fixing" the Sox emanated from the bettors who followed the favorites through to the unsatisfactory conclusion after having been touted that the Sox would lose. No effort was made by the "wise money" to corrupt the Sox—the smart fellows only creating that impression.

The \$20,000 that Charles A. Comiskey offered for information leading to anybody who had approached a member of his club still remains uncollected.

There is a pretty good expose of the methods used by the wise gents, who could not help but reap a harvest. And they were very clever in spreading the dope. The day before the first game there was a hot tip at the racetrack at Latonia that Clever's arm was bad and he never would be able to finish the game. Many sure-thing bettors got down lots of coin and cleaned up.

THE only thing wrong with the scheme as we see it is that the White Sox were expected to win easily and the winners were trimmed in the first two games.

Looks Bad for Yankees to Collect

MEMBERS of the New York Yankees are not very confident of collecting their share of the world series for finishing third in the American League. President Navin, of Detroit, has asked that the money be held up pending the settlement of the Carl Mays case, and his wish has been granted.

It looks as if the Yanks are up against it. If the National Commission makes a decision they will lose, because Herrmann and Ban Johnson are sure to vote on the same side, which gives them a majority. If it is put up to the American League, Johnson has control there by a vote of 5 to 3.

All but New York, Boston and Chicago upheld Johnson when he suspended Carl Mays for jumping the Boston club and signing with the Yankees, and there is no indication of a change in feeling.

WITH this case on the docket and the campaign of the National League to oust Garry Herrmann, baseball will not be forgotten this winter.

CORNELL is up against it this year on the gridiron. The first two games have been won by narrow margins, and now all they have to do is meet Colgate and Dartmouth in the next two weeks. The Colgate game next Saturday will be a tough one and the Hamilton boys already have been awarded the decision. Present odds are 10 to 7 on Colgate, all of which makes things pleasant for the Ithacans. After that will come Dartmouth, and the Green team is considered strong this year.

PENN 8 big game this year, according to Bob Fowlwell, will be played against Pittsburgh on November 15. The Red and Blue team is being pointed toward that battle, and no one seems to be worrying about Lafayette, State and Dartmouth. The Pitt game should be the big noise on the schedule. For years Warner has had a wonderful machine, which played great football and always made it interesting for Penn. Each year interest increases, and when the teams clash next month a record-breaking crowd should attend.

SPEAKING of hard luck, let's consider the University of Chicago. A. A. Stagg, head coach, is laid up with rheumatism and directs the practice from an automobile. Pat Page, his assistant, has a broken leg. Outside of that all of the coaches are in good health.

THE test of a championship club is to win a pennant two years in succession. The last word is to win it three years in succession, something no club has done since the glory days of the Cubs and Giants.

THERE is one fancy detail about scandal or charges of crookedness, whether true or false—all you need is to toss out the faint suggestion, and a prairie fire is nothing in comparison. For how one half the world likes to believe that the other half is crooked—and how one half likes to hear that the other half is spotty.

THERE are at least two ways of becoming a leading humorist. One is to write a book entitled "How to Become a Fine Punter." The other a book called "How to Beat the Races." Here's your chance to crash through.

WHEN two able-bodied citizens, who last year at this time were charging machine-gun nests and cutting their way through barbed wire, happen to meet face to face at tackle, you can understand why the officials have to be extremely quick before the stretcher bearer is called in.

IT HAPPENS IN THE BEST-REGULATED FAMILIES



OFFICIAL CARD SAYS IT'S ALL OVER, BUT GOLF CONTINUES TO FLOURISH WITH VIM

Northfield, Club, Intercity, Resort and Other Events Pack Links

By SANDY McNIBLICK

THE little cream-colored book of the local golf association has run all out of events for this year on the official schedule. But before the sun sinks in the Golden West on the present overflowing season, there are still plenty of matches and things to be played.

The next big golf event, contemplating a heavy entrance from the Philadelphia district, is the going over the Country Club of Atlantic City next week, Thursday to Saturday, inclusive, to be exact.

A good many auto loads, bulging with clubs and players, perhaps by that time car-muffled, will hit the sandy pines from here, Northfield away. The prizes offered are always just as attractive as the golf there, he-trapped and rugged, typical of the coastwise links.

Then there are championships on at the Cricket, Country and other local clubs, yet to be settled here, championships for men and championships for women, fall championships and annual championships.

It will take at least a couple of weeks before the final cards are in and the last names written for the season of 1919 on the several plaques.

Pending the acceptance of the challenge from the suggested team of local golfers by New York, the proposed intercity match between the Quakers and the Quakers will be played, the singles in New York and the mixed foursomes in Philadelphia. The locals have tentatively set a week from tomorrow as the date of the singles with the foursomes to be played the following Saturday.

New York's Team

In discussing the challenge, New York has suggested a team to be drawn from the following to be composed of five men and five women: Oswald Kieley, Ned Sawyer, now a "Met" player; Johnny Anderson, Gardiner White, Jess Swetzer, G. L. Conley, Eddie Wild, A. I. Walker, Jr., Sam Graham and others.

The women's side of the team would be equally strong with such players as Mrs. W. A. Gavin, Miss Marion Hollins, Mrs. F. E. Du Bois, Mrs. Quentin Felner, Miss Beatrice Louisa Berry, Mrs. G. M. Hechler and Miss Rosamond Sherwood.

Garden City, Greenwich and Baltusrol have been suggested as possible courses agreeable to all contestants over there. Most of the local courses here are in good shape and the choice will be largely up to the Quaker members of the team.

The match is not intended to be official, simply an outlet for a little of the persistent rivalry existing be-



MISS MILDRED CAVERLY Cricket Club golfer tickled over her only prize won this season

Pros Settling in West for Money—Miss Caverly Wins Something

he entered, is on exact par with Walter Hagen, national open champion, as one of the two greatest playing pros in the country this year.

The West has gotten Jack Hutchinson, Mike Brady, George Sargent, Cyril Watwood, Louis MacDonald and others of the same caliber. Leo Diegel, rapidly coming to the front, is a westerner and he remains there.

The reason for all this is naturally that the propositions for the pros are so much better out there. For instance, there is a struggle on now to drag Mike Brady away from Detroit to replace Walter Hagen at the Oakland Hills Golf Club, which is evidently making Baron Mike a most attractive offer.

According to the dope he is to draw down a bulky guarantee with the ball and club privilege, which is denied many a pro in these parts. It is understood that Brady is privileged also to go spend time in the off season at a resort club where he will collect some nice additional shampoon.

They say pros with a rep aren't much use to a club because they're always away or something. They sure are of use in the West. Miss Mildred Caverly took off her very first prize of the season in the

very last carded event the other day in the Farnum play at Merion. She won the prize for the low selective score.

The Cricket Club star did not win another thing all season, though she had rid herself of the flat swing that bothered her last year and has played a fine game.

The ex-national finalist and local champion of 1916 has run into a series of breaks that ousted her from every prize, where in other years they came with almost tournament regularity.

Her golf at Merion was of surpassing brand, straight, long, fine—the same as it has been all season.

WEST PHILLY WINS SOCCER

High School Beats Penn Charter, 3 Goals to 1

Penn Charter lost its second soccer game this year by the score of 3 to 1 when it played West Philadelphia High School at Queen Lane yesterday afternoon. The game started in favor of West Philly until Hadley, Penn Charter's center, took the ball down the field with little resistance from the fullbacks for the first goal. There followed a series of forward passes by both sides until Reeves tied the score by kicking the ball through the Penn Charter goal.

20,000 See Racing

Hagerstown, Md., Oct. 17.—Twenty thousand persons witnessed the running of the big day of the Hagerstown interstate fair.

Hill School Golfers Win

Pottstown, Pa., Oct. 17.—The Hill School golf team defeated the Berks County Club of Reading, in a five-man match, 9 to 5, yesterday. The ground was "soggy" from rain. Davis excelled for the Hill.

OHIO STATE NOW HAS CHANCE TO TEAR WAY THROUGH GRID DESTINY

Chick Harley's Alma Mater Hasn't Beaten Michigan in Fifteen Starts, but Outlook Is Bright and Rosy for Win This Season

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THE Answer FROM April through the world series we merely played our game all the way. Pat Moran. With no loud-rolls of hero from the throng. With no one framing miracles to tout him. But rather as a bloke that pikes along. And makes the best of what he finds about him. Just hanging on until the job is through. Not claiming inspiration or intention. Playing his game—well, this is something, too. And something worthy of extended mention. Each one of us has got "his game" at hand. Only to swear it with untold abuses. Once in a while we strike to beat the band. And then drop back to watch our lame excuses. By taking glory with the daily gaff. Nor calling on great genius for the fray. What line could make a keener epithet— "He played his game—and played it all the way!"

CONSTANT dripping, they say, wears away stone. On the same theory constant smashing should some day break through destiny. Ohio State has gathered about fifteen onslaughts against Michigan, with a net result of thirteen defeats and two ties. But with Chick Harley and a power-laden backfield, Ohio State hopes to overpower destiny and Yost together when the big crash is due. This meeting should be one of the star affairs of the West.

Penn State's Eleven

A STUDENT from Penn State objects to this excellent institution being left out when the strongest elevens in the East are mentioned. He calls attention to the fact that Penn State this season has three ex-captains and no less than twenty-five winners of the varsity letter. This being the case—as it undoubtedly is—Penn State is hereby given polite mention, and Dartmouth can know what she has to expect in Saturday's battle.

PENN STATE has a double chance to prove her greatness this season, for beyond the Dartmouth game she has Pennsylvania and Pitt to face, and neither of these entries is what you might term a scantly duck, built for easy picking.

For East Is East and West Is West

IF YOU recall the fact, writes Observer, "the following clubs in order have won the National League pennants: New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Chicago and Cincinnati. Is St. Louis or Pittsburgh due to win next year?" We haven't any idea. Our only hope is that St. Louis and Boston never win the same year, and thereby precipitate a series of transcontinental world series clashes.

At One Buck Per Whack

I shot a golf ball into the air; I fell to earth I know not where; And what is even worse than either, My caddy didn't see it neither.

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